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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant, CR

SUBJECT : Comparison of Air Force and CIA Coding of Air Information Reports - Status Report as of 30 January 1959.

1. Summary for Period 26 - 30 January:

Number of Documents	Documents with Coding Errors By AFCIN	By CIA
200	63	10

2. AFCIN errors consisted of three main types:

a. Incorrect codes due to misinterpretation of information in the document or of the meaning of the code.

b. Incomplete coding, including failure to use terminal digits and not coding significant information.

c. Differences in coding philosophy which results in undercoding of most documents which are not of a strictly technical character.

3. CIA errors result from:

a. The inability of new analysts to distinguish among similar codes the precise ones which fit the information.

b. Careless coding.

25X1A9a 4. [redacted] has brought all these errors to the attention of Mr. Stein who heads the AFCIN coding activity. He is making the necessary correction to their Historical file and referring errors for correction to the original coder of the report.

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5. In view of the relatively high percentage of error (26%) on the part of AFCIN as compared with CIA (3%), we recommend that this review be continued for some period of time in order to make a fair evaluation of AFCIN coding for Intellofax input.

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